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MINNESOTA'S MAY MILK OUTPUT DOWN 2.7 PERCENT

May 2011 milk production totaled 789 million pounds in Minnesota, down 2.7 percent from the 811 million pounds produced in May 2010, according to the USDA, NASS, Minnesota Field Office. Revised April 2011 milk output was 761 million pounds.

Minnesota's production per cow averaged 1,675 pounds in May 2011, down 50 pounds from last May. The revised April 2011 rate was 1,615 pounds per cow. The average number of milk cows on farms in Minnesota during May 2011 was 471,000 head, unchanged from the April 2011 number but up 1,000 head from one year ago.

Accumulated Minnesota milk production for the first five months of 2011 was 3.80 billion pounds, up 1.1 percent from the same period a year ago.

MAY MILK PRODUCTION UP 1.5 PERCENT

Milk production in the 23 major States during May totaled 16.0 billion pounds, up 1.5 percent from May 2010. April revised production at 15.5 billion pounds, was up 1.7 percent from April 2010. Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,899 pounds for May, 6 pounds above May 2010. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.45 million head, 103,000 head more than May 2010, and 15,000 head more than April 2011.

Accumulated milk production in the 23 major states for the first five months of 2011 was 76.5 billion pounds, up 2.2 percent from the same period a year ago.

MILK PRODUCTION, MAJOR STATES

State	MILK COWS			RATE PER COW			MILK PRODUCTION			
	May 2010	Apr 2011 Rev.	May 2011	May 2010	Apr 2011 Rev.	May 2011	May 2010	Apr 2011 Rev.	May 2011	2011 as % of 2010
	Thousand Head			Pounds			Million Pounds			Percent
CA	1,755	1,769	1,772	2,020	1,990	2,075	3,545	3,520	3,677	103.7
ID	559	576	577	1,940	1,870	1,980	1,084	1,077	1,142	105.4
MN	470	471	471	1,725	1,615	1,675	811	761	789	97.3
NY	610	610	610	1,850	1,770	1,825	1,129	1,080	1,113	98.6
PA	541	543	543	1,750	1,690	1,730	947	918	939	99.2
WI	1,261	1,266	1,266	1,840	1,730	1,800	2,320	2,190	2,279	98.2
23 States	8,347	8,435	8,450	1,893	1,834	1,899	15,804	15,471	16,043	101.5

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